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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Yoichi ASANO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/051,199

Group Art Unit: 1745

Confirmation No.: 7169

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: January 22, 2002

For: POLYMER ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE AND SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE  
FUEL CELL USING SAME

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL  
APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(B) - FILING DATE GRANTED**

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted," mailed March 21, 2002 for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors. Also enclosed please find executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595, Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form SB/08 A&B.

Checks for the statutory fee of \$1,650.00 and \$40.00 are attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature of Darryl Mexic.

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$780.

- \$360 for 20 total claims over 20.
- \$420 for 5 independent claims over 3 .

- The oath or declaration is missing.

*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1650.**

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